

MADERO MAY FACE LUNACY COMMISSION

His Fate Is Not Yet Decided and Many Rumors Are Rife in Mexico City

ORDER FOR EXILE RECALLED

Activities of Rebels in North and South Creating Considerable Anxiety

3,000 DEAD; 7,000 WOUNDED

Mexico City, Feb. 20.—The capital was in a state of uncertainty this morning regarding the fate of the leader of the old administration, Gen. Huerta's order, preventing the departure of Francisco Madero, gave rise to many rumors and conjectures. In the meanwhile the attitude of Zapata and Madero, leaders of the southern and northern rebels, is causing anxiety.

The closest estimate obtainable of casualties during the street fighting, shows three thousand killed and seven thousand wounded. Numerous instances are known of whole families being wiped out by exploding shells or the fire of machine guns. A great majority of the dead were non-combatants, including a large proportion of women and children. Damage to property amounts to many millions. Families of those who stood high in favor of Madero, fearing retaliation, have fled from the city. Among them are members of the Madero families. The wife of the ex-president has gone to a ranch in a suburb, and others are supposed to be at Vera Cruz.

Rumors Concerning Madero.

It was said Madero was to be deported from Vera Cruz, much as Porfirio Diaz was sent away, and that his exile will be a substitute for a trial for the murder of Colonel Rivera, whom he is accused of killing at the time of his arrest in the palace. Another report was that the government was considering the advisability of bringing him before a lunacy commission.

Felix Diaz and General Huerta held frequent conferences today regarding the conduct of affairs. The cabinet at present agreed upon by Huerta and Diaz has been confirmed in all respects except the ministry of finance.

The wording of the joint resignation of Francisco Madero and Jose Suarez was made public today. It is in marked contrast to the usual verbose documents in such cases. It says:

"In view of events which have occurred from the first to the last in the nation and for the greater peace of our country, we make this formal resignation of our posts of president and vice president."

The activities of the followers of Zapata have been turned against the new administration. A small force of rebels was reported today to be in the neighborhood of the capital, and government troops were sent out against them. A confirmed dispatch says Cuernavaca has fallen into Zapata's hands.

Madero's Departure Prevented.

Adolfo Basso, aged sixty, superintendent of the national palace for many years, was executed late last night. He is said to have faced the firing squad bravely. His last words were: "Viva Mexico."

The fate of Francisco Madero was still in the balance this morning. Preparations for his departure with the members of his family into exile were suddenly halted by mysterious orders from General Huerta. The ex-president at daybreak was still in the capital.

Francisco Madero and the ex-president's two sisters and aged father, together with the family of ex-Vice President Suarez, waited at the station ready to depart for Vera Cruz, thence for Europe. But at the hour fixed for the departure, Congress was still in session discussing the situation.

Senora Madero and the rest of the party, after waiting for two hours, were informed by ex-Foreign Minister Lascarrain that the ex-president would be prevented from joining them on their journey. Lascarrain declared he was unable to give an explanation.

Senora Madero, fearing the intention of Congress and General Huerta, wept furiously and she and her party returned to the city.

Diaz Denies Responsibility.

Felix Diaz denies the responsibility for the execution of Gustavo Madero

WANTS \$75,900 TO REBUILD AT IONIA

This Amount Asked to Replace Building Recently Burned

Lansing, Mich., Feb. 20.—Warden Fuller is in Lansing to lay before the legislature a request for a special appropriation of \$75,900 to be used in rebuilding the burned factory building at the reformatory. The estimates made provide for a building three stories high and 75x339 feet in size; to be equipped with sprinkler system and power for elevators. It would give about 75 per cent of the total floor space in use before the fire. Warden Fuller is confident that the building can be occupied in five months after the appropriation is granted.

The big vault at the Ypsilanti Road Furniture company was opened this morning and the papers inside were found almost unharmed. Charles Thompson, who was convicted several years ago in the Ionia court for blowing a safe in Meosota and who was transferred here from Jackson, opened the vault and safe with a sledge and punch in 13 minutes. He said he could do it without explosives and gave a rapid exhibition of sledge methods.

Warden Fuller says the 600 convicts cannot remain idle and will be put to work at once cleaning up the debris, and that a new building will be required whether or not the Ypsilanti Road Furniture contract is continued by the state. The Ypsilanti people maintain that it is up to the state to rebuild their own, and they could not get along with their business with the downtown factory only. The Ypsilanti contract runs until 1918, and that firm has no intention of canceling it. The state is now losing \$5,000 a month as a result of interference with contract by fire.

BULGARIANS AND TURKS IN BLOODY THREE DAYS' BATTLE

London, Feb. 20.—A terrible three days' battle between one hundred thousand Bulgarians and seventy thousand Turks at Bulair has just concluded, according to a dispatch from Constantinople. Each side lost thirty-five hundred. Elver Bey, the Turk leader, was wounded.

The income of Chicago from the "movie" shows, saloons and cigarettes, the police, many today sought souvenirs of the dead politician, and one person paid \$25 for a fragment of his eyeglass.

Francisco Madero's private secretary, Azcoitia, and Jesus Urtecho, Madero's chief supporter in the chamber of deputies, who escaped from the city during the upheaval at the national palace, have been taken prisoners.

Felix Diaz and General Huerta today sent a telegram to the Paris residence of Porfirio Diaz, the former dictator, in which the aged general was informed:

"You have avenged against your enemy."

Doubt About Permanent Peace.

Only the most optimistic residents of the Mexican capital pretend to believe that the substitution of Huerta for Madero will result in the restoration of complete peace throughout the republic. It remains to be seen how many rebel leaders will accept the invitation of Huerta to join in the effort to restore normal conditions. The new administration will not temporize with any of the rebels. It declares everything possible will be done to effect a reconciliation, but in the event of failure it proposes to wage vigorous warfare. Already federal troops have been sent to Cuernavaca to prevent the occupation of that city by Zapata, the "irreconcilable rebel."

After the manner of newly installed governments, that of Huerta began with the liberation of political prisoners. A proclamation of general amnesty is expected at any moment. Three hundred political prisoners have been released from prisons in the capital.

Students Acclaimed Heroes.

Practically all of the governors and military commanders of the republic have telegraphed allegiance to Huerta. Students of the military school at Toluca, who initiated the revolt in the capital twelve days ago, have been acclaimed heroes by the residents of Mexico City. Already a public fund has been started for a monument to those who lost their lives in the battle. The survivors are everywhere showered with confetti and flowers from balconies as they pass. Soldiers, who only a couple of days ago were shot at one another, are fraternizing today. There is no disorder and the city is rapidly resuming its normal aspects.

SEVEN CHILDREN PERISH IN FIRE

Burned to Death in Home Last Night While Their Parents Were Away

CATASTROPHE IN EBENEZER, PA.

Father and Mother, With Candy and Toys, Make Discovery

GREAT FIRE IN TOKIO, JAPAN

Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 20.—Seven children, aged from one to twelve, were burned to death last night when the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, at Ebenezer, was destroyed by fire. The parents were absent at the time.

The father and mother were returning with toys and candies for the children when they made the gruesome discovery. The charred bodies were among the smoldering ruins.

Conflagration in Tokio, Japan.

Tokio, Feb. 20.—Over fifteen thousand persons are homeless as the result of a fire which swept the center of the Kanda district of the city yesterday. It started in the Salvation Army hall. It was fanned by the wind and spread rapidly from street to street, destroying 2,300 buildings. The loss is estimated at several million yen. Among the buildings burned are several churches, including the Baptist tabernacle and a number of educational institutions, including the school for foreign languages. Troops were called out to assist the firemen.

An official report of the fire states two persons were killed and one hundred injured. The damage was two and a half million dollars.

SCHOOL BOOKS COSTING MICHIGAN TOO MUCH.

Lansing, Mich., Feb. 20.—As an indication of what school books are costing the people of Michigan as compared to other states who have uniform text book laws, Senator Straight is displaying several books to the members of the legislature showing the difference in price. One book which was purchased at Ionia, Mich., and cost 29 cents, is sold for 19 cents in Iowa, where they have a uniform text book law. Another sample in a book sold in Louisiana for 25 cents and in other places for 50 cents. Senator Straight is very much in favor of the uniform school book law, and says he will have a number of other concrete examples within a few days.

FAMOUS ITALIAN SPECIALIST IS CALLED TO AID MORGAN

London, Feb. 20.—The Exchange Telegraph company publishes a dispatch from Rome, stating Prof. Bastianelli, the best known medical specialist in Italy, was today summoned to Cairo, Egypt, by J. P. Morgan. The professor will leave this evening to remain with Morgan until he sails on March 20.

Gets Eggs and Butter From U. S.

Highland Falls, N. Y., Feb. 20.—A case of freshly laid eggs and a quantity of butter from Morgan's farm near here were shipped today by express to J. Pierpont Morgan at Cairo, Egypt.

GIFT FOR MRS. TAFT.

Necklace to Cost \$10,000 Will Be Presented to Her.

New York, Feb. 20.—A \$10,000 diamond necklace which is to be presented to Mrs. William H. Taft by the society leaders of Washington when she leaves the white house with the president, is being made by a well-known firm of New York jewelers.

The order for the splendid chain was placed Monday by Miss Mabel Boardman, chairman of the executive committee of the Red Cross, who came up from Washington for that purpose, and who returns to the capital this afternoon.

The necklace, it is learned, may cost much more than the \$10,000 decided upon. That figure is considered conservative. Miss Boardman had with her Monday a photograph of the necklace now possessed by Mrs. Taft and worn on many affairs this winter. This was turned over to the firm of jewelers who are entrusted with the making of the new necklace, in order that there may be no similarity between the two chains of jewels.

The cost of the necklace will be defrayed by a large number of women who have been entertained by Mrs. Taft upon various occasions. The gift was to have been kept a secret. It was arranged that even the donors should not know the form the gift was to take until the last moment, but the news leaked out.

STOPS MINISTER IN MIDST OF PRAYER

Sensation Caused in the Indiana State Senate Today

Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 20.—Lieut. Governor O'Neil caused a sensation in the Senate today when he stopped Rev. E. R. Henry, of the Emmanuel Baptist church of this city, who was making the opening prayer, and said: "Stop making a political speech."

The minister had prayed for the separation of the run traffic from the state, and for the day when Indiana would refuse to sell to men the right to make other men drunkards and murderers. Henry left the chamber.

SUFFRAGETTE HURLS BIG LAW BOOK AT MAGISTRATE

London, Feb. 20.—The suffragettes again visited the Kew botanical gardens and fired a large refreshment building, which was burned to the ground. Lillian Lenton and Joyce Locke, each 22, were arrested running away from the scene of the fire. Each carried a bag, containing a dark lantern, cotton soaked oil, a hammer and a saw. They were refused bail. The magistrate said the offense was not political, but highly criminal. Miss Locke thereupon hurled a big law book, which narrowly missed his head. She fought desperately against the wardens assigned to remove her to a cell. Three months ago Miss Locke threw one of her shoes at the head of an Aberdeen magistrate. She was charged with carrying explosives to the hall in which Lloyd-George was to speak.

SPEEDY JUSTICE IN CASE OF MISSISSIPPI NEGRO

Gulfport, Miss., Feb. 20.—No ground for complaint of the delays of the law is to be found in the case of Percy Newkirk, a negro, who is under sentence to be hanged here tomorrow. Just four weeks will have elapsed between the murder of which the negro was convicted and his execution. On the morning of Jan. 21 Newkirk shot and killed Chief of Police Charles Dickey. He was immediately arrested and confessed to the crime. Within three hours he was placed on trial, and an hour later he was convicted and sentenced to death. The jury was out less than three minutes. The speed with which the trial was conducted was due to the desire of the authorities to avoid a possible lynching.

STATE AND FISHERMEN AGREE ON LEGISLATION.

All Admit That Propagation Has Been Great Thing.

Lansing, Mich., Feb. 20.—The state game, fish and forestry warden and the fishermen are finally agreed as to legislation relative to the fishing industry in Michigan. For the last three days the commercial fishermen of the state have been holding sessions with Warden Gates.

The fishermen are agreed that propagation of fish by the state and the United States government is doing wonders for them, and while years ago they scoffed at the idea of propagation, today they said that without it their business would soon cease. The commercial fishermen cite as an example that 15 years ago the fishing in Lake Erie was about over, the fishing fields being abandoned, while today it is the best fishing place in Michigan waters. Propagation by the state and United States government has accomplished what 15 years ago was thought impossible.

The fishermen are willing that the Michigan legislature shall pass a law whereby they will be taxed a certain percentage on their nets and working outfits, the proceeds to be used in further propagation of fish and the establishment of hatcheries.

The attorney general is drafting a bill which the warden and the fishermen have agreed upon for the protection of fish in Michigan waters, and which patches up some sections of the present law that are not workable under present conditions.

TO SKI TOURNAMENT.

A large number of Calumet residents left this morning over the South Shore for Ishpeming, where they will attend the ski tournament. Even larger parties will leave Friday and Saturday mornings, those now starting having planned visits in the iron country in addition to witnessing the tournament Saturday afternoon. Special reduced rates are available for the trip.

TAKES THE LEAD AGAIN.

Miss Kate Coppo resumed her lead in the diamond ring popularity contest being conducted by Calumet young men, when the votes were counted today. The standing of the candidates is as follows:

Miss Kate Coppo	1,364
Miss Lucy Mickelt	1,185
Miss Kate Lioowe	926
Miss Cecil Montagne	291

CASE AGAINST ALLEGED TRUST

Sensational Charges Made in Action Against the McCaskey Register Company

SUPPRESSED ITS COMPETITORS

THIS AND OTHER UNFAIR METHODS SAID TO HAVE USED SPIES

Cleveland, Feb. 20.—Sensational charges of violations of the Sherman law are leveled at the McCaskey Register company in a civil suit, filed today by order of Attorney General Wickensham. The company, its officers and agents, it is charged, wrongfully and fraudulently obstructed and suppressed business of competitors, bribed their employees, employed agents to spy upon their business, waged an unfair campaign in patent suits, threatened suits, and used other unlawful methods to stifle competition. Among the defendants are: McCaskey Register company; Alfred Ryley, Stewart Kurtz, Samuel Zimmerman, Edward Langenbach, Austin Lynch, Canton Ohio; Josiah Phillips, Boston; Charles Baxter, New York; Harry M. Rowley, Chicago; William Hughes, San Francisco; Leslie Solar, Atlanta.

The defendants are charged with having a display room, known as the "graveyard," at the factory at Alliance, here, it is added, were exhibited pictures representing large piles of devices of competitors being burned as useless.

The McCaskey register is a device for keeping credit accounts up to date.

PEACE IS IMPOSSIBLE UNLESS READY FOR WAR

Paris, Feb. 20.—President Poincare in a message to parliament today declared:

"It is impossible for any nation to be effectively pacific unless it is always ready for war. It would be a crime against civilization to allow our nation to decrease its forces while the other nations developed theirs without cessation."

"He emphasized the army and navy and alluded to the diplomacy of France as having labored silently for many months 'among the perils of a 'doubtable crisis.'"

Former Minister of Foreign Affairs Delcasse was today appointed French ambassador to Russia.

GOVERNORSHIP TALK.

Gossip Regarding Republican Possibilities for Next Year.

Detroit, Mich., Feb. 20.—Since the Republican state convention at Lansing there has been much discussion in Detroit among Republican politicians regarding the next race for governor. Indeed, there seems to be widespread speculation on this subject already.

It looks now as though Detroit would offer at least two candidates for the Republican nomination for governor next year—and possibly more.

Secretary of State Frederick C. Martindale, who opposed Mr. Musselman in the Republican primaries last fall, is, of course, planning to again try for the toga.

A new element enters the equation, however, in the probable candidacy of Alex J. Groesbeck, chairman of the Republican state central committee at the present time. Friend and foe of Mr. Groesbeck insist that his name will be on the primary ballot in the next Republican race for the nomination for governor.

In the meantime politicians are not forgetting that both Captain E. M. Alger and ex-Secretary of the Navy Newberry have friends who are not at all baneful about touting their gubernatorial availability.

In all discussions of the matter it seems to be generally expected that Lieutenant Governor John Q. Ross of Muskegon will be in the race; and among the younger Republicans talk is beginning to be heard of the possible availability of Representative D. H. Hinkley of Emmet county, who is chairman of the ways and means committee of the present house of representatives at Lansing.

MILLION DOLLAR BUILDING.

Dallas, Texas, Feb. 20.—Ground will be broken tomorrow for a million dollar building to be erected in Dallas by Sears, Roebuck & Co., the Chicago mail order house. The building is to be used by the firm as a general supply depot for the Southwest.

Hans Pedersen and wife, of Spyt, Germany, are each 107.

PERFORMERS FACE CHARGE OF MURDER

Charles Kramer and Wife Accused of Killing Wealthy Girl

Chicago, Feb. 20.—Preparations have been completed for the opening on next Monday in the Criminal Court of the trial of Charles Kramer, alias Conway, a former circus clown, acrobat and high diver and his alleged wife, Lillian Beatrice Ryall Conway, a vaudeville performer with a checkered past and many aliases, who are charged with having murdered Miss Sophia G. Singer, a wealthy woman from Baltimore, on the night of October 28, 1912. The case has attracted considerable attention owing to the peculiarity of some of its features and the sensational circumstances under which Conway and his wife were arrested a few days after the murder.

Victim Was Wealthy.

Miss Sophia G. Singer, the victim of the crime, was the daughter of the late Frank O. Singer, formerly a wealthy business man in Baltimore. The family is well connected. Miss Singer was wealthy in her own name, having inherited \$30,000 from her father's estate. About a year ago she became acquainted with Wm. R. Worthen, then a street railway conductor in Baltimore. She fell in love with him and early in October of last year she gathered together her jewels and about \$1000 in cash and eloped with Worthen to Chicago. They rented furnished rooms in a rooming house at 3221 Indiana avenue and lived there together to the day of the murder. Their room neighbors in the same apartment were Charles Kramer, alias Charles A. Conway, and his alleged wife, a vaudeville singer known as "Beatrice Ryall," "Mayme Coyne," "Grace Coyne" and "Lillian Beatrice Ryall Conway." Kramer had formerly been a circus performer, but had lost one of his legs through an accident. It is alleged that Kramer and his wife were practically down and out and were befriended and financially assisted by Miss Singer and Worthen.

Finds Sweetheart Dead.

On the evening of October 28, Worthen left his sweetheart alone in their apartment and attended to some household matters. When he returned to the house shortly after midnight he found Miss Singer dead in her room. She had been bound and gagged and beaten to death with a "billy" improvised out of an iron door knob, wrapped in a handkerchief. Her skull was crushed and her body had been rolled up in a blanket.

Worthen aroused the neighbors and informed the police, giving a minute account of his movements from the moment he left the house until he returned to the apartment and found the body of his sweetheart. He was arrested on suspicion and a thorough search of the apartment was made by the detectives. The investigation brought to light that Kramer and his wife had left the house between ten and eleven o'clock on the evening of the murder and had not returned to their apartment. A thorough search was made for them as the police authorities began to suspect that the couple had something to do with the murder of Miss Singer.

Kramer and Wife Arrested.

It was known that Miss Singer had a considerable sum of money in her possession at the time of her death, but when the apartment was searched after the murder no money or jewelry was found by the detectives. Worthen was able to establish a complete alibi and was released from confinement after a day or two.

Kramer and his wife were traced through several states and on October 21 were arrested in a hotel at Lima, O., where they had arrived the same morning. They had registered as Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Crowley, of Sidney, O. Both denied all guilty knowledge of the details of the crime, although they admitted having read about it. Separately Kramer and his wife were closely questioned by the police and their statements were so conflicting, their attempts to clear themselves and to throw suspicion upon other persons, so clumsy, that both were held without bail and turned over to the Chicago police authorities.

Much Evidence Collected.

When Kramer was arrested \$11 were found in his pocket. He explained that before he left Chicago Miss Singer had given him \$25. He also had two new suits which he claimed Miss Singer had given him. He had several scratches on his face for which he could give no plausible explanation. Through a chain of circumstantial evidence it was established that Kramer and his wife had left the house on Indiana avenue between eleven and twelve o'clock on October 28, a short time after Miss Singer met her death. It is believed that since the arrest of the couple the police authorities have collected a large amount of evidence of a serious nature and that upon the strength of this evidence the prosecution will demand that both defendants, if found guilty, be sentenced to pay the death penalty for their crime.

GIVES SNOW SHOE PARTY.

Mrs. Elsie Stutte of No. 5 Tamarack location entertained a large party of friends at a snow shoe tramp recently. A dainty luncheon was served at the Stutte home after the hike. All reported an enjoyable time.

SUFFRAGE BILL GETS THROUGH HOUSE, 74-21

Rep. Flowers' Resubmission Measure Is Passed in Spite of Vigorous Fight

BRICKER AMENDMENT KILLED

PROPOSED THAT MONIES COLLECTED ON MORTGAGES SHOULD REMAIN IN COUNTIES

TEXT BOOKS STILL AN ISSUE

Lansing, Mich., Feb. 20.—(Special)—Rep. Flowers' amendment providing for the submission of the equal suffrage amendment at the spring election passed the House this afternoon by a vote of 74 to 21.

The bill will now go to the Senate. By a vote of 51 to 37 the House this morning defeated Rep. Bricker's measure amending the mortgage tax law, providing that all of the money collected on mortgages shall remain in the county, instead of 50 per cent as under the present statute.

"This afternoon the House will pass upon the Glanzer eugenics measure. The opponents of the bill are planning to load it with amendments so that it will be of little value, if any."

Rep. Flowers led the fight for the suffragists, while the opposition was led by Reps. Kohler and Ashley.

Before positive action is taken on the school books question a compromise may be necessary, as the senators from the rural districts say their constituents want the uniform text book bill, while the city members are supporting the free text book measure. It has been suggested that perhaps communities desiring to maintain or establish the free text book system should be exempt from the provisions of the act at the present time. There is small prospect of the adoption of their measure unless some concessions are made.

Iowa Falls in Line.

Des Moines, Ia., Feb. 20.—The lower House has passed a resolution for the submission to the voters of the state of an equal suffrage amendment to the constitution. The galleries were crowded with suffragists, who joined in a demonstration lasting fifteen minutes.

EXCITEMENT IS CAUSED BY IRON MOUNTAIN CRAZY MAN

Iron Mountain, Mich., Feb. 20.—Alvin Olson, a demented man, a giant in size, wrested control of a locomotive from the train crew here today. After a terrific battle with the sheriff and deputies, who had been hurriedly summoned, he was torn from the throttle before he succeeded in ruining the engine into the main line. A passenger train passing on the main track, near the scene of the battle, a few minutes after Olson was taken into custody. Olson boarded the locomotive at a switch near here.

Locomotive Thwarts Burglars.

Chicago, Feb. 20.—Running his locomotive at a high speed for several miles, James Powers, engineer of a switch engine raced to his home today in response to a telephone call from his wife informing him that burglars locked her in her room. He arrived in time to release his wife and chase away the intruders, but they escaped.

The burglars after ransacking the lower part of the house, locked Mrs. Powers in a room and started to search the upper part. Mrs. Powers was put in a room with a telephone, and she sent a message to the freight yard, where her husband was employed.

NEW PLAY AT GRAND.

"The Girl From the West" will be the attraction this evening at the Grand theater. "The Haines" and "Price Stock Co., which opened up Monday of this week, for an indefinite engagement, is pleasing nightly. The company will produce the new comedy drama for the remainder of the week, including Sunday matinee and evening. Feature vaudeville attractions will mark the production, and an entire new set of scenery will be introduced.

JACK JOHNSON IS ILL.

Chicago, Feb. 20.—Jack Johnson, the pugilist, is suffering from pneumonia. He was taken ill Sunday, but is reported to be slightly better today.